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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL (Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))		Attorney Docket No. 20022/38497A	
		First Inventor Mario Spatafora	
		Title METHOD OF PRODUCING SOFT PACKETS OF CIGARETTES	
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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Docket No: 20022/38497

PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53

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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventor(s): Mario Spatafora

Title: METHOD OF PRODUCING SOFT PACKETS OF CIGARETTES

1. Type of Application

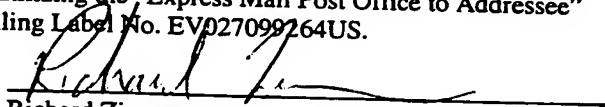
- ☒ This is a new application for a
- ☒ utility patent.
- ☐ design patent.
- ☐ This is a continuation-in-part application of prior application no. _____.

2. Application Papers Enclosed

- 1 Title Page
- 22 Pages of Specification (excluding Claims, Abstract, Sequence Listing & Drawings)
- 17 Page(s) of Claims
- 1 Page(s) of Abstract
- 10 Sheet(s) of Drawings (Figs. 1 to 12)
- ☐ Formal
- ☒ Informal
- 0 Page(s) of Sequence Listing

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.10

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3. **Declaration or Oath**

☐ Enclosed

☐ Executed by (check all applicable boxes)

☐ Inventor(s)

☐ Legal representative of inventor(s)
(37 CFR 1.42 or 1.43)

☐ Joint inventor or person showing a proprietary interest on behalf of
inventor who refused to sign or cannot be reached

☐ The petition required by 37 CFR 1.47 and the statement
required by 37 CFR 1.47 are enclosed. See Item 5D
below for fee.

☒ Not enclosed - the undersigned attorney or agent is authorized to file this application
on behalf of the applicant(s). An executed declaration will follow.

4. **Small Entity Status**

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

☐ A small entity statement is(are) attached.

5. **Additional Papers Enclosed**

☐ Preliminary Amendment

☐ Information Disclosure Statement

☐ Declaration of Biological Deposit

☐ Computer readable copy of sequence listing containing nucleotide and/or amino
acid sequence

☐ Microfiche computer program

☐ Associate Power of Attorney

☐ Verified translation of a non-English patent application

☐ An assignment of the invention

☐ Request and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)

☒ Return receipt postcard

☐ Other

6. **Priority Applications Under 35 USC 119**

Certified copies of applications from which priority under 35 USC 119 is claimed are listed below and

- ☐ are attached.
☒ will follow.

COUNTRY	APPLICATION NO.	FILED
Italy	BO 2001A 000298	May 14, 2001

7. **Filing Fee Calculation (37 CFR 1.16)**

A. ☒ **Utility Application**

CLAIMS AS FILED - INCLUDING PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT(S) (IF ANY)						
			SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA	RATE	FEE	RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE				\$370.00		\$740.00
TOTAL	42 - 20	= 22	X 9 =	\$	X 18 =	\$396.00
INDEP.	7 - 3	= 4	X 42 =	\$	X 84 =	\$336.00
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim			+ 140 =	\$	+ 280 =	\$
Filing Fee:				\$	OR	\$1,472.00

B. ☐ **Design Application (\$165.00/\$330.00)**

Filing Fee: \$

C. ☐ **Plant Application (\$255.00/\$510.00)**

Filing Fee: \$

D. **Other Fees**

☐ **Recording Assignment [Fee — \$40.00 per assignment]**

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☐ **Petition fee for filing by other than all the inventors or person on behalf of the inventor where inventor refused to sign or cannot be reached [Fee — \$130.00]**

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☐ **Other**

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9. **Deposit Account and Refund Authorization**

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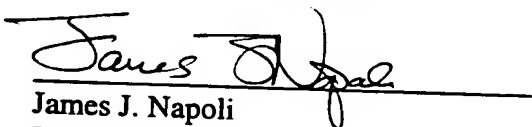
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